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SUBJ: DEFSEC VISIT TO SOUTH ASIA: PAKISTAN

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1. THERE FOLLOWS SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS IN RESEPNSE
TO TOAST:

A. THANK PRESIDENT FOR HIS KIND WORDS. EMPHASIZE
DEPSEC PLEASURE IN BEING IN PAKISTAN BY NOTING THAT,
AFTER OVERFLIGHT OF THIS COUNTRY DURING EAST TO WEST
ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT, DEPSEC DOUBLED BACK TO
ISLAMABAD TO SEE PRESIDENT BHUTTO.

B. DEPSEC SHOULD NOTE THAT, AT TEHRAN MEETING
WHICH HE JUST ATTENDED, USG OFFICIALS AGREED THAT
JUNE 1972 SIMLA ACCORD, AND SPIRIT BEHIND IT, RE-
MAIN BRIGHTEST HOPE FOR PEACE IN ENTIRE NEA REGION.
(IF POSSIBLE, SAY THIS ATTITUDE REINFORCED BY DEPSEC
DISCUSSIONS IN DACCA AND DELHI.)

C. DEPSEC COULD NOTE BHUTTO ' S ENERGETIC ATTACK
ON DOMESTIC ISSUES AND CONGRATULATE PRESIDENT ON
ADOPTION OF NEW CONSTITUTION. (NOTE: THIS POINT TO
BE RETAINED ONLY IF, AS ANTICIPATED, PAK NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY PASSES NEW CONSTITUTION BY APRIL 21.)

D. DEPSEC COULD MAKE BRIEF REFERENCE TO NEED
FOR DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING WORLDS TO COOPERATE.
(AS IN RECENT SPEECH AT WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL CENTER.)

E. DEPSEC SHOULD NOTE THAT UNITED STATES FEELS
SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP TO PRESIDENT BHUTTO BECAUSE OF
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HIS LONGSTANDING CONNECTIONS, BEGINNING WITH HIS STUDIES AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (BERKELEY). SHOULD ADD THAT DEPSEC HAPPY TO SEE BHUTTO HAS DECIDED TO CONTINUE THAT RELATIONSHIP BY SENDING HIS DAUGHTER BENAZIR TO RADCLIFFE AND HIS SON MURTAZA TO HARVARD.

F. IF APPROPRIATE BY THEN, NOTE OUR PLEASURE THAT BHUTTO WILL AGAIN SOON BE VISITING OUR COUNTRY AS HE HAS DONE MANY TIMES IN THE PAST.. BUT THIS TIME WE WILL BE PARTICULARLY HONORED TO RECEIVE HIM AS THE PRESIDENT OF PAKISTAN.
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